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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	Application No. 10/634,766	Applicant(s) MUNIERE, VINCENT	
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### Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 24 January 2008.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 2, 8-13, 16, 17, 23-28 and 34-39 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 2, 8-13, 16, 17, 23-28, and 34-39 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/ are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)                                | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114***

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 01/24/2008 has been entered.

### ***Response to Arguments***

2. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 2, 8-13, 16, 17, 23-28, and 34-39 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

4. Claims 2, 8-13, 16, 17, 23-28, and 34-39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Landais (U.S. Pub. No.: 2002/0080758 A1)

The applied reference has a common assignee with the instant application. Based upon the earlier effective U.S. filing date of the reference, it constitutes prior art under 35 U.S.C. 102(e). This rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) might be overcome either by a showing under 37 CFR 1.132 that any invention disclosed but not claimed in the reference was derived from the inventor of this application and is thus not the invention "by another," or by an appropriate showing under 37 CFR 1.131.

With respect to claims 2, 8, 11-12, 16-17, Landais teaches a mobile station and or a mobile network (See Landais e.g. MS and the network of Fig. 1) a method of allocating packet mode resources in a mobile radio system, the method comprising: a mobile station (See Landais e.g. MS communicating via the network as shown in Fig. 1) sending to the network a packet mode resource request (See packet channel request message to network, Page 4, Lines 1-3 of ¶ [0081]), mobile station using, in accordance with its requirements (See Landais e.g. differing requirements, mobile station, EGPRS, Page 2, ¶ [0029]), one of different types of packet mode resource requests (See circuit mode service, packet mode service, etc., Page 2, ¶ [0032]), (inherently) corresponding to different transfer modes (See Landais e.g. two modes, etc., Page 2, ¶ [0032]) that it supports (See Landais e.g. transfer mode, Page 4, Lines 12-15 of ¶ [0090]), the different transfer modes including the GPRS (General Packet Radio Service) (See Landais e.g. GPRS, Page 1, ¶ [0002]) and EGPRS (Enhanced General Packet Radio Service) mode (See Landais e.g. EGPRS, Page 2, ¶ [0029]) for the requirements of signaling (See Landais e.g. per definition: signaling, mobility management, Page 1, ¶ [0018], one-phase or two-phase access, Page 1, ¶ [0023]) data transfer (See Landais e.g. transfer of data, TBF, Page 1, ¶ [0023]) and / or in uplink direction (See Landais e.g. TBF in request message on uplink, Page 1, ¶ [0024]), the mobile station (See Landais e.g. MS of Fig. 1) using a type of packet set mode resource request (See Landais e.g. packet resource request containing a precise description of the required resource, Page 2, ¶ [0026]) and or in downlink direction (See Landais e.g. downlink, Page 1, ¶ [0025]) corresponding to EGPRS mode (Page 2, GPRS, ¶ [0029], circuit mode, packet mode, two modes, Page 2, ¶ [0032], including cause data specifying signaling data transfer requirements (See Landais e.g. per definition: signaling, mobility management, Page 1, ¶ [0018], one-phase or two-phase access, Page 1, ¶ [0023]) and or in accordance with mobility management protocol (See Landais e.g. mobility management (MM), Page 1, ¶ [0018]) and or (inherently) transmission control protocol (See Landais e.g. as defined: transfer of data, TBF, transmission direction, Page 1, ¶ [0020]) and or EGPRS packet channel request message (See Landais e.g. EGPRS, Page 2, [0029], packet channel request message, Page 2, ¶ [0041]).

Regarding claims 9, 24, 35, Landais teaches signaling messages (See Landais e.g. per definition: signaling, mobility management, Page 1, ¶ [0018], one-phase or two-phase access, Page 1, ¶ [0023])

include a cell update message (inherently) sent in the event of cell reselection during a current user data transfer (See Landais e.g. cell reselection, cell reselection control mode, transfer, Page 2, ¶ [0033]-[0038]).

Regarding claims 10, 25, 36, Landais teaches signal message (inherently) include a paging response message in packet mode prior to a transfer of user data in the downlink direction (See Landais common downlink channel message (response ), Page 1, Lines 1-10 of ¶ [0025]).

Regarding claims 13, 28, 39, Landais teaches the GPRS PACKET CHANNEL REQUEST MESSAGE (See Landais e.g. EGPRS, Page 2, [0029], packet channel request message, Page 2, ¶ [0041]) includes a cause specifying signaling data transfer requirements (See Landais e.g. per definition: signaling, mobility management, Page1, ¶ [0018], one-phase or two-phase access, Page 1, ¶ [0023]).

Regarding claims, 23, 34, Landais teaches the signaling data transfer requirements include requirements for transfer of signaling messages (See Landais e.g. per definition: signaling, mobility management, Page1, ¶ [0018], one-phase or two-phase access, Page 1, ¶ [0023]) in accordance with a mobility management protocol (See Landais e.g. mobility management (MM), Page 1, ¶ [0018]).

Regarding claims 26, 37, Landais teaches user data transfer includes a transfer of data (inherently) in accordance with the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) (See Landais e.g. as defined: transfer of data, TBF, transmission direction, Page 1, ¶ [0020]).

Regarding claims 27, 38, Landais discloses a message used to transmit a type of packet mode resource request that corresponds to a transfer mode best suited to the requirements of a user data transfer is the EGPRS PACKET CHANNEL REQUEST message (See Landais e.g. EGPRS, Page 2, [0029], packet channel request message, Page 2, ¶ [0041]).

### ***Conclusion***

9. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.
  - a) Sebire (U.S. 6,870,858 B1).
  - b) Berg (U.S. Pub. No.: 2002/0123370 A1).

- c) Bridgelall (U.S. Pub. No.: 2002/0085516 A1).
- d) Demetrescu (U.S. 6,647,262 B1).
- e) Sheynman (U.S. Pub. No.: 2002/0118662 A1).
- f) Masseroni (U.S. 7,050,824 B2).
- g) Landais (U.S. Pub. No.: 2002/0137532 A1).
- h) Landais (U.S. Pub. No.: 2002/0137522 A1).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communication from the examiner should be directed to Kamran Afshar whose telephone number is (571) 272-7796. The examiner can be reached on Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by the telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **Eng, George** can be reached @ (571) 272-3984. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is **571-273-8300** for all communications.

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Examiner, Art Unit 2617